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THE REACTION IN RUSSIA

EFFORTS OF STOLYPIN'S FOES TO GET RID OF HIM.

New York, April 25.—The Empire has a taste of Order and Prosperity. The leaders of the Old Regime seek to regain Power—Stolypin's Strength.

St. Petersburg, April 25.—Politics is stirring again in Russia. The stock empire has passed through a long illness and is now strong enough to sit up. Is the patient to take heed and follow wise counsel or are the symptoms of the recovery only to be the signal for resuming the old manner of life?

The empire is facing a crisis. The men formerly in control have launched a reckless campaign in the hope of shutting down what there is of representative institutions in Russia and reestablishing the police warrant as the supreme instrument of government. It is their old game, but they have now to play it against new men and under new conditions.

After nearly three years experience of the administration of the Prime Minister, Mr. Stolypin, the leaders of the political right—police Ministers in the ante-Duma regime, like Durnovo, have discovered that he is a "Liberal Federalist" and a "masked Republican." Other Russians had come to regard him as a hard working, hard fisted man who aimed at stamping out socialism and sentimentalism in politics. He said himself that he was introducing his land abolishing the village communal lands and establishing private property among the peasantry that he intended to legislate for the fit.

He has sanctioned without compunction the execution of anybody engaged in making bombs. He was assailed in the Duma by the constitutional Democratic orator Mr. Rodichev for the use of the "Stolypin necktie," meaning the hangman's noose. It is a revelation to the agitators among the masses to see him held up to hatred before the court clique and the Czar as a man whose political aims are almost their own.

They scarcely see yet that the real motive for the bitter onslaught on the Prime Minister which is being conducted by the extreme conservatives in the Council of State is that Mr. Stolypin has begun to stamp his own personality on the administration of the country; and he is not a man who will make accommodating political arrangements with them. It is best to describe the man in some detail before trying to explain how he has come to be so great a factor in Russian affairs.

I had a quarter of an hour's talk with him in his villa at the Gorky-Ostrov about a week before it was blown to pieces by the terrorists' bomb. It was about a month after the dissolution of the first Duma, and at that time he was the first Premier. At that time he had no political programme for his country beyond fighting the revolutionaries; at least he said so with his usual spontaneous outspokenness.

In appearance and in his mannerisms Peter Arkadievich Stolypin is a pronounced type of the south Russian and probably has as many families there as a dash of Tatar blood in him. He is a tall, broad shouldered man, square headed, with prominent cheek bones, full lips and deep set, rather small eyes, which are lit with a glow of force and vitality. His skin is smooth, clear and fresh colored. The blood comes and goes on his cheeks as he gets animated, flushing to deep red when he is angry, as he sometimes has been in the Duma.

He is 48. The baldness on the top of his head has grown perceptibly in the last three years. Otherwise his hair, mustache and beard are jet black, without a streak of gray, and his features, although regular enough, denote much more force of temperament than sculptured grace.

I had known his elder brother, Alexander Stolypin, who is a well known working newspaper man here. They belong to a family of squire in the province of Saratoff—neither to the large land owning class nor to the military or court officials nor to the professional people who form educated society in the Russian provinces.

The present Prime Minister was the third son and was brought through the classical course at St. Petersburg University without showing signs of distinction. He entered the Ministry of the Interior in the department of local administration. He won rapid promotion in the province chiefly through his temperamental willingness to settle things himself without referring to St. Petersburg.

His reputation in the districts that he administered was that of undoubted personal honesty, with a dash of impulsive. One of his troubles in Saratoff arose from this habit of being in the thick of things. A number of families wished to leave the town, as they believed there was to be a pogrom. Gov. Stolypin said he would insure their safety and forthwith mounted his horse and placed himself at the head of their column.

They moved out and he and the leading families had only a few stones thrown at them, but the humbler persons in the rear got badly belabored by a "religious procession"—which is usually the guise in which the hoodlums are organized. The result for Stolypin was that he was reprimanded by Minister Plehve in St. Petersburg for not having stayed in his Governor's house and let the émigré shift for themselves.

Stolypin never filled a post in St. Petersburg until he was summoned up from Saratoff on the eve of the first Duma to be Minister of the Interior after the dismissal of Count Witte's cabinet. The advent of a man who was not trained in the police, the law, the army or the church and had neither wealth nor high family position at the head of the most difficult branch of administration was counted the surprise of the crisis.

His predecessor, Durnovo, was the performer of the political secret police. Plehve himself was trained as a Crown prosecutor in political trials. No Minister of the Interior before Stolypin had been simply a State Governor.

All inquiries from those who have frequent contact with him as to what kind of capacity he has mark him as satisfying. "Carlyle's definition of genius. He has an 'infinite capacity for taking pains.' He is at work by 7 o'clock in the morning. He reads and writes his documents himself and his private secretaries find their work very much limited to gumming stamps upon envelopes.

Of course the dynamiters marked him down for slaughter. He neither defied them with tempting opportunities nor shrank from their threats. The automobile in which he travels to the Duma is built of armored steel and the way is cleared for him by a pilot car. Yet he has been possible enough to the Terrorists three times in his villa at a public reception and killed twenty of those waiting.

When the flash and the ear-splitting explosion had passed the eyes of Stolypin, who was only besmeared with plaster debris and ink from his cracked cabinet, was to cry "My children!" and scramble up stairs to the nursery. His face blanched and his eyes blazed as he clasped his wounded twelve-year-old daughter. For many minutes the tears and white messages came from the Czar's palace and the Government offices asking for news of him he made no answer, but kept clasping his child

and stemming the flow of blood from her destroyed foot.

Stolypin's strong family affections are supposed to account in part for his remarkable ascendancy over the Czar. He has won influence over other important personages by a charm of manner which consists of absolute unfeigned naturalness and friendliness of heart.

The Durnovo party, which now includes Doubassoff, who was Governor of Moscow during the revolt, and claims as its more enlightened members Count Witte and Mr. Gorenkyin, a shrewd old member of the Tory party, which wishes quietly to smother the Duma altogether, complain that Stolypin is usurping the Czar's prerogative, that when he takes a vacation he uses imperial palaces and imperial yachts. The facts are that Stolypin's full blooded physique needs more active exercise than he can safely take in St. Petersburg. He has no country estate of his own where he could ride and walk with impunity. His present holiday at the Livadia Palace has enabled him to make daily excursions in hill climbing into the private imperial domain, free from assassins.

This charge of arrogating to himself some of the Czar's divine prerogative is about the only one that can be made against Stolypin with any chance of driving him from power. The natural argument against a Minister who was marked down for dismissal would be that his administration was proving a failure. This charge would break down against Stolypin as being untrue by consent of the public common sense.

However much it may disappoint the yearners after radical quick cures, it has to be admitted that Stolypin's policy of "through" has been a practical success. His machinery grinds slow, but it grinds exceeding sure. Extortion by officials is, after all, being exposed, prosecuted and punished, and this gradual cleaning up is going on while the Government keeps an iron heel on the revolutionaries—and no Government would have a chance with either the Czar or the army which failed in that.

One result of Stolypin's mastery of the situation is that all kinds of industrial securities in Russia have been rising steadily since the end of winter. Should the season bring a good harvest it will make the case for revolutionary violence hopeless.

Now it is just this strange, unexpected experience of finding the country enjoying comparatively good order and tending the beginning of prosperity that has given the Durnovo party the idea that the Duma and any kind of progressive administration can be cut out and cast aside with impunity. Premier Stolypin has met them with a firm negative.

Whether the Duma takes his advice or not he means to protect its chances, as an organic growth, of taking root and

growing up. He has already, in Alexander Gutchikoff, the leader of the Moscow Whigs, or Octobrists, a spokesman on the floor of the House. He creates as many opportunities as he can for letting the Duma add its influence to the Cabinet's. It is one of those agreements of Cabinet and Duma that the leaders have seized their challenge.

Among the appropriations asked for the Ministry of Marine was \$50,000 toward the founding of a Naval General Staff. The Duma added the rider that the personnel of the staff should be made known before the money was voted; and Stolypin accepted this view.

At once the outcry was raised that he had sanctioned a treason to the Czar's prerogative. He had joined in a censure on the Czar's personal judgment. In point of fact the Duma's action was withdrawn from the struggle with Stolypin in disgust. But it was not a new display of feeling by the Duma. Mr. Gutchikoff had six months before, in Premier Stolypin's hearing and with his approval, denounced in the Duma the pernicious influence of the grand dukes on the army headquarters staff. No crisis was made of his action then.

The difference now is that Stolypin has proved to be filling a stronger position than the old gang of opportunists—who were waiting their turn to take charge with the confidence born of past experience with the Czar—ever anticipated. His position has not so far been shattered by Mr. Isvolsky's loss of prestige as a Foreign Minister.

The improvement in Russian securities is a certificate of confidence to Stolypin and has rallied to his side the country's creditors at home and abroad. He has made it plain that he will go on, if he remains in power, to reform the land law and the administration of the criminal law in a cautious but honest way, knowing well that it is just an exhibition of radicalism that his enemies are looking for to ruin him with the Czar. He holds the field absolutely on all questions of public policy.

What he has to face now is a mixture of personal intrigue and disseminated suspicion that he is hypochondriacal. The old gang of opportunists—there are in the situation absorbing elements of human passion and weakness. More than that, the fate of Russia herself is in the balance.

If Stolypin can be cheated out of power it will be a day of victory for the old gang of political poisoners. The plucky man gets the best chance, and the most abiding signs point to Stolypin outliving his enemies and holding to his post to steer Russia at last into the light of a new day.

HUDSON-FULTON EXHIBITION.

Dutch Paintings and American Crafts to Be Shown at the Metropolitan.

As part of the Hudson-Fulton celebration next fall there will be an exhibition at the Metropolitan Museum of Art of Dutch paintings belonging to Hudson's period and of objects illustrating the American industrial arts from Hudson's time up to 1815. About 100 Dutch pictures will be shown.

The exhibition will be held in the new northeast wing of the Museum, where the German paintings were shown, and altogether will occupy seven galleries, four being devoted to the paintings by the Dutch masters and the remaining three being occupied by the examples of American industrial arts. Some idea of the importance of the art exhibit may be gained when it is said that the collection will include twenty-five Rembrandts and thirteen paintings by Frans Hals, contributed from the most famous collections in this country.

The exhibition will also include twelve pictures painted by the two Ruissdaels, Salomon and Jacob. Five examples of Cuyt will be shown. Other Dutch painters will be represented.

In the three galleries devoted to the American section of the exhibition the industrial arts and handicrafts of the period extending from Hudson to Fulton will be illustrated by examples of early furniture, American silverware, pottery, jewelry and glass lent from well known collections in America.

The first room will be devoted to seventeenth century furniture and will contain many of the earliest examples used here, including the collection lent by Eugene H. Bowles of Boston. There will be an exhibition of eighteenth century furniture in the second gallery and in the third room an exhibit of furniture made in New York, including many examples of the work of Duncan Phyfe, cabinet maker. In the industrial section a collection of American silver will be shown in chronological order, illustrating the development of American silver making, with enough examples of English ware to show the origin of types. Forty examples alone of the art of Paul Revere will be shown. Trinity Church will also contribute as a loan its collection of ecclesiastical silver.

In the industrial galleries also will be pictures by American painters, such as John Singleton Copley, Snybert, Jonathan B. Blackburn and Gilbert Stuart.

The Hudson-Fulton art show will open on Monday, September 20, and will continue until mid-November.

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The colors are perfect—not dark in one place and light in another, as often happens in Pongees of ordinary weaving. The dyeing in these Pongees takes the dye evenly, producing a perfect navy or violet or pink, as the case may be. There is a great range of good colors also in these Silks, including white, ivory, ecru, cadet, pink, reced, old rose, cedar, heliotrope, Copenhagen, shades of rose, pearl, taupe, tan, brown, gendarme blue, catwabs, olive, wistaria, amethyst, royal, navy, raspberry, bronze, dark rose and natural. Regular \$1 value at.69c. a yard

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Second Floor.

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Made Here : : And to YOUR OWN Measure.

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28 inch semi-fitted, with Directoire collar; full length sleeve; your choice of black, gray or white satin lining.

Second Floor.

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It seems likely that equal variety and equal values were never before offered anywhere. There are three hundred and thirty of these brass Bedsteads ready for immediate delivery. They are all full size. They are all new and perfect and of the high grade which we regularly sell. The metal is substantial, the patterns artistic, the finishing above criticism.

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Main Floor, Elm Place.

"SMILING JOE" IS CURED.

His Picture Has Been an Argument for the Sea Breeze Sanitarium.

SEA BREEZE, April 14, 1909.

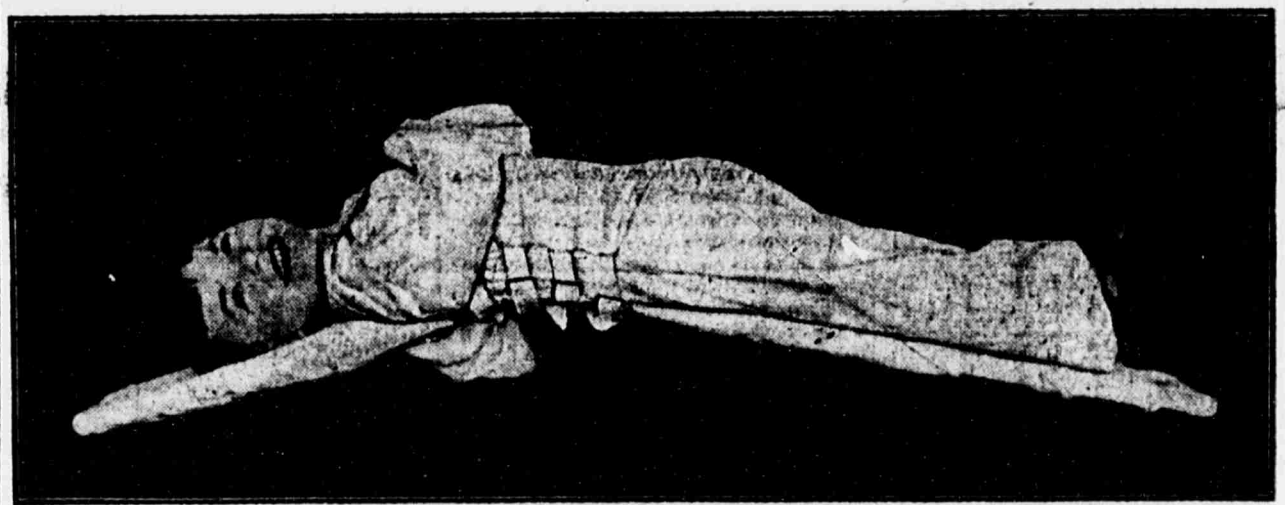
We recommend for discharge from Sea Breeze Hospital Joe, generally known as "Smiling Joe." He was admitted July 19, 1905, suffering with tuberculosis of the spine and was treated by recumbency on a frame for over a year and by plaster jackets for the rest of the time. He is discharged

and won a heroic battle against tuberculosis but he has also been a leader in a great fight that has been waged throughout the country for the thousands of other city children threatened with the same fate that menaced him.

Joe's diploma shows that for more than a year he was strapped to a curved plank so tightly that he could not move except to twist his head and wave his arms, but it omits to say that never once in all this

Joe's smile. Strapped to his board but laughing all the time in high glee, the little tenement boy was photographed. The picture, with an accompanying appeal, was circulated throughout the country until Sea Breeze and the cure of bone tuberculosis in seaside sanatoria came to be matters of common knowledge from Maine to Texas.

To-day the Association for Improving the Condition of the Poor has \$250,000 for



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The photograph that went from one end of the country to the other.

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"Smiling Joe" is only 7, but he has already been graduated and this is his diploma. Furthermore Joe was honor man in his class, for he has not only fought

time did he lose his sunny smile and merry laugh. This was what made Joe the honor man of the class.

At any rate was the New York Association for Improving the Condition of the Poor was making its fight for a quarter of a million dollars to erect a sanitarium by the sea they came under the spell of

the erection of the new hospital for which the present institution at Sea Breeze is a mere experimental station. The city has promised to furnish land for the new institution at Rockaway Beach. When the new building is completed it is safe to wager that the biggest picture in the front hall will be that of Smiling Joe

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